

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~(1)~~ for a vehicle having at least one preferably tubular rail ~~(2)~~ extending essentially at a distance from the roof surface of the vehicle and at least two supports ~~(5)~~ at the ends of the rail to attach the roof rack ~~(1)~~ to the vehicle roof, where the rail ~~(2)~~ is shaped to have a curve ~~(4)~~ in the end areas ~~(3)~~ and in the area of each curve ~~(4)~~ is held from below by the support ~~(5)~~, which can be attached/is attached to the rail ~~(2)~~, the underside ~~(11)~~ of said support – when viewed in cross-section – forming a flat supporting surface ~~(12)~~ for a matching surface ~~(13)~~ on the rail ~~(2)~~.
2. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from~~ according to claim 1, wherein the support ~~(5)~~ has a retaining projection ~~(20)~~ which engages the interior of the tubular rail ~~(2)~~.
3. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the retaining projection ~~(20)~~ engages the end of the tubular rail ~~(2)~~.
4. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the cross-sectional profile of the retaining projection ~~(20)~~ is configured to match the shape of the internal cross-sectional profile of the tubular rail ~~(2)~~.
5. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the top side ~~(11)~~ of the support ~~(5)~~ is arcuate when viewed in longitudinal section.

6. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the matching surface ~~(13)~~ of the rail ~~(2)~~ is flat when viewed in cross-section.
7. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the matching surface ~~(13)~~ of the rail ~~(2)~~ runs in an arc when viewed in longitudinal section.
8. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the top side ~~(11)~~ of the support ~~(5)~~ runs in a convex arc.
9. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the matching surface of the rail ~~(2)~~ runs in a concave arc.
10. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the rail ~~(2)~~ has a step ~~(9)~~ which is held from the rear by a section of the support ~~(5)~~ in the transition from a zone allocated to one of the supports to a support-free zone.
11. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the support ~~(5)~~ is bolted to the rail ~~(2)~~ by means of at least one threaded bolt ~~(14)~~.
12. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the head of the threaded bolt ~~(14)~~ is carried in a receptacle in the support ~~(5)~~.

13. (currently amended) Roof rack ~~from one of the preceding claims~~ according to claim 1, wherein the support ~~(5)~~ has a mounting plate ~~(18)~~ to which a retaining element ~~(22)~~ with the matching surface ~~(13)~~ is attached and which has the retaining projection ~~(20)~~.